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- ${\tt 1. \ DEPARTMENT\ APPRECIATES\ LISBON'S\ REPORTING\ ON\ THIS\ IMPORTANT\ SUBJECT.}$
- 2. CONCERNING THE ACTION REQUESTS CONTAINED IN PARA 7 OF YOUR TEL 662, IT WILL UNFORTUNATELY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO GET TO YOU BY FEBRUARY 1 THE FINANCIAL DATA AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE U.S. TSPP PROPOSALS THAT THE PORTUGUESE REQUESTED. THE COST AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE U.S. INITIATIVES IS A SUBJECT UPON WHICH REASONABLE MINDS CAN AND DO VARY WIDELY. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE THE USG IS NOT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REPEAT NOT MAKING ANY PRECISE ESTIMATE OF THE COST OF IMPLEMENTING THE U.S. PROPOSALS FOR ANY GIVEN COUNTRY OR FOR THE WORLD'S MERCHANT SHIPPING AT LARGE.

3. THE DEPARTMENT AND THE COAST GUARD WOULD HAVE TO HAVE THE NAME OF THE PORTUGUESE VESSEL REFERRED TO IN PARA 7 BEFORE WE COULD PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE REASON FOR THE

DETENTION OF THE VESSEL. IF THE PORTUGUESE ARE STILL INTERESTED, PLEASE GIVE US THE NAME OF THE VESSEL AND THE APPROXIMATE TIME OF THE INCIDENT. CONCERNING THE DOMESTIC LEGISLATION OR REGULATIONS UNDER WHICH THE COAST GUARD INSPECTED AND DETAINED THE PORTUGUESE VESSEL, THIS WAS DONE IN COMPLIANCE WITH CONVENTIONS ALREADY ADOPTED BY IMCO, PROBABLY THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA CONVENTION OR THE MARINE POLLUTION CONVENTION. VANCE

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